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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re U.S. Patent Application of:)	
Hong et al.)	
)	Examiner: R. Covington
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STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE
OF THE INTERVIEW UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.133

Commissioner For Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Interview Summary of November 1, 2002 as provided by Examiner Covington, Applicant submits the following comments. In particular, Applicant's undersigned attorney notes that she did not receive a telephone call from Examiner Covington on Friday, November 1, 2002 and therefore could not have spoken with him regarding a response. On Monday, November 4, 2002, Applicant's undersigned attorney received a forwarded voice-mail message that had been received by her assistant, Sara Salinas. The voice-mail message, recorded on Saturday morning, November 2, 2002, was from Examiner Covington asking whether or not a response to the office action dated March 12, 2002 had been filed.

On Monday, November 4, 2002, Applicant called Examiner Covington and his supervisor, Examiner Rotman, and left voice-mail messages advising that a response had indeed been filed by facsimile transmission and that Examiner Covington had previously confirmed receipt of the transmission. A copy of the facsimile transmission is enclosed together with the filed Response. The facsimile transmission reflects a facsimile number provided by Examiner Covington to Sara Salinas by telephone on June 12, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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